

CONFIDENTIAL

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Architect for Proposed New CIA Building.

1. A short time ago Senator A. Willis Robertson (D., Va.) suggested through his Administrative Assistant, Mr. Warren McNeill, that we might want to consider Marcellus Wright as an associate architect in connection with our proposed new building. Mr. McNeill assured me that there was no pressure of any kind but that he would appreciate knowing the final outcome of the suggestion.

2. Accordingly, on 23 May I telephoned and advised Mr. McNeill that in negotiating a contract with Harrison & Abramovitz it had been decided that any associate architects would be subcontractors to this firm. I also told him that I doubted that we would have associates but that there was no objection to Mr. Wright pursuing this matter with Harrison & Abramovitz if he cared to. We also discussed the fact that Marcellus Wright already had a sizeable Government contract and that, therefore, there might be some question as to the propriety of his having another. Mr. McNeill fully appreciated this and thanked me for my information.

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